

**DECLARATION AND
POWER OF ATTORNEY**
(Utility Patent Application)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below), of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF DISPLAYED
IMAGES THROUGH THE USE OF USER PREFERENCE INFORMATION**

the specification of which:

_____ is attached hereto
XX was filed on July 30, 1999 as Application Serial
No. 09/364,648 with amendment(s) filed _____
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Section 119 of Title 35, United States Code for the above-identified US patent application based on the patent or inventor's certificate identified below and having a filing date before that of the US patent application for which priority is claimed:

<u>Application No</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Priority Claimed under 35 USC 119</u>
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NONE

I hereby claim the benefit under Section 120 and/or Section 119(e) of Title 35 of the United States Code of any

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<u>Application Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Status</u>		
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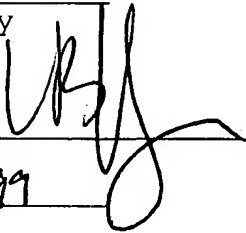
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Bodin DRESEVIC, William HILL,
Gregory HITCHCOCK, Leroy B. KEELY, John C. PLATT and
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Chapel Rd., Pittsboro, NC, 27312, respectively, are the joint
inventors of an invention entitled:

**METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF DISPLAYED
IMAGES THROUGH THE USE OF USER PREFERENCE INFORMATION**

as described and claimed in the specification forming part of an
application for United States letters patent filed July 30, 1999
and assigned Serial No. 09/364,648 ;

WHEREAS, Microsoft Corporation (hereinafter referred to as
ASSIGNEE), a corporation of the State of Washington having a
place of business at One Microsoft Way, Redmond, WA 98052, is
desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and
to the invention and in and to any letters patent that may be
granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign
countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for goods and valuable
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ASSIGNORS hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE,
the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention,
said application and any and all letters patent which may be

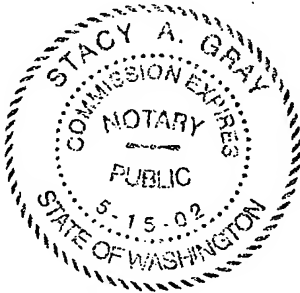
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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this
5th day of NOVEMBER, 1999.

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Bodin DRESEVIC, ASSIGNOR

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On this 5th day of November,
1999, before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and County
aforesaid, personally appeared Bodin DRESEVIC, known to me to be
the person of that name, who signed and sealed the foregoing
instrument, and acknowledged the same to be his free act and
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Stacy A. Gray
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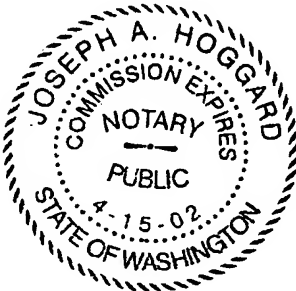
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William HILL, ASSIGNOR

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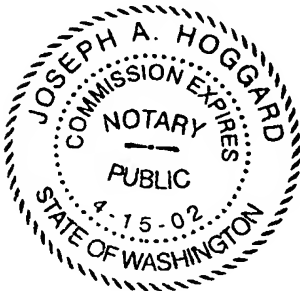
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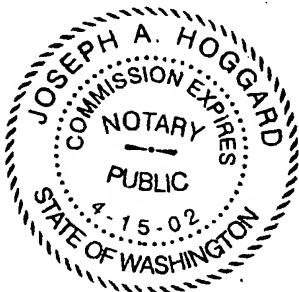
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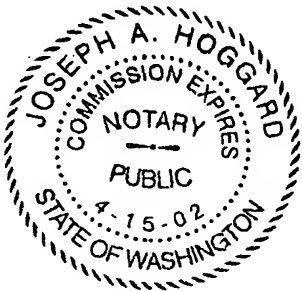
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